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TITLE OF INVENTION: POLYMERS OF ETHYLENE AND, OPTIONALLY, COPOLYMERIZABLE ESTERS, FILMS USING SUCH POLYMERS AND STRETCH HOOD PACKAGING PROCESSES USING SUCH FILMS

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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**Examiner's Amendment** 

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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes

and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided

by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be

submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Specification

The amended Abstract filed on September 10, 2007 has been replaced with the

attached Abstract set forth on a separate sheet.

In the Claims

Claim 21, first line: "20" has been changed to --17--.

Claim 22, first line: "20" has been changed to --17--.

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# -- Abstract of the Disclosure

Polymers comprising units derived from ethylene, said polymer having: a) a Melt Index of from 0.05 to 20 g/10 min. as determined by ASTM-1238 Condition E; b) at least 10 per 1000 C-atoms of short chain branches, containing five carbon atoms or less, as determined by C13 NMR, and less than 3.5 mol%, of units derived from a copolymerizable ethylenically unsaturated ester; c) a density of from 0.90 to 0.94 g/cm³, preferably 0.91 to 0.935 g/cm³, especially 0.92 to 0.93 g/cm³ as determined by ASTM D1505; and d) a relaxation time as described herein of at least 10 s. Such polymers can be obtained by free radical polymerization using a chain transfer agent that incorporates into the polymer chain such as an alpha-olefin, preferably propylene, as a chain transfer agent, preferably in a tubular reactor under circumstances to favor LCB formation in a down stream part of the tubular reactor.--

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# **Examiner's Comment**

The text of the Abstract filed on September 10, 2007 has been set forth on a separate sheet as per MPEP 608.01(b)(C); and Claims 21 and 22 have been revised to eliminate dependency on a cancelled claim (claim 20).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner F. M. Teskin whose telephone number is (571) 272-1116. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday from 7:00 AM - 4:30 PM, and can also be reached on alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Wu, can be reached on (571) 272-1114. The appropriate fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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/Fred M Teskin/

Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1796